Figure 2.8 Motor Vehicle Mileage, Fuel Consumption, and Fuel Economy

All Motor Vehicles, 1949-2010

Mileage, 1966-2010

Fuel Consumption, 1966-2010

Fuel Economy, 1966-2010

1 Miles per gallon.

2 Miles per vehicle.

3 Gallons per vehicle.

4 Through 2006, data are for single-unit trucks with 2 axles and 6 or more tires, and combination trucks. Beginning in 2007, data are for single-unit trucks with 2 axles and 6 or more tires or a gross vehicle weight rating exceeding 10,000 pounds, and combination trucks.

5 Through 2006, data are for vans, pickup trucks, sport utility vehicles, and a small number of trucks with 2 axles and 4 tires, such as step vans. Beginning in 2007, data are for large passenger cars, vans, pickup trucks, and sport utility vehicles with a wheelbase larger than 121 inches.

6 Through 2006, data are for passenger cars (and, through 1989, for motorcycles). Beginning in 2007, data are for passenger cars, light trucks, vans, and sport utility vehicles with a wheelbase equal to or less than 121 inches.

Source: Table 2.8.